

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-58 are pending in this application.

Election/Restrictions

Applicants were requested to elect, for examination in the present application, one of the following distinct inventions:

I. Claims 1-24, drawn to processing medical service contracts and transactions, classified in class 705, subclass 4.

II. Claims 25-52 and 54-58, drawn to processing medical transactions, classified in class 705, subclass 2.

III. Claim 53, drawn to enrolling a patent into a medical service plan, classified in class 705, subclass 3.

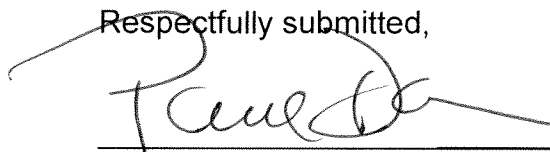
The invention of Group II is hereby elected without traverse. Claims 25-52 and 54-58, drawn to processing medical transactions, classified in class 705, subclass 2, encompass the elected invention.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, all claims pending in this application are believed to be in *prima facie* condition for allowance, and an early action to that effect is respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account **50-4634** (Attorney Docket No. **KNW-0020** (123913-195920) (formerly 1000-008)).

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